

METHODS OF THE CIGARETTE TRUST.

Witnesses in New Jersey's Chancery Court Shed Light on Its Workings.

Pressure Put on Jobbers to Make Them Handle the American Tobacco Company's Goods.

INDEPENDENCE PROMPTLY PUNISHED.

Testimony in Behalf of the Trust Tending to Discredit That of the Complainers' Witnesses—The Fight to Go On.

Newark, N. J., April 6.—The real battle between the State of New Jersey as complainant and John R. Miller & Sons as relators against the American Tobacco Company commonly called the "Tobacco Trust," was begun before Vice-Chancellor Reed, in the Chancery Court here to-day, when the taking of testimony was begun. There was a great array of legal talent present, and a number of interested spectators, including all the jobbers in Essex County and some of the prominent retail dealers. Most of them were there as witnesses.

The first witness called to-day was John R. Miller, Thomas N. McCarter, Jr., and ex-Judge Frederick W. Stevens did the questioning, while Richard V. Lindabury did the cross-questioning, prompted occasionally by W. W. Fuller, Joseph H. Choate was not present. Mr. Miller, who has been a jobber in tobacco and cigarettes for fifteen years, testified that, prior to the formation of the American Tobacco Company, he had purchased paper cigarettes from the manufacturers direct. He enumerated the manufacturers and the brands of goods they manufactured, and his evidence showed that they are the persons now the chief members of the American Tobacco Company.

Prior to the formation of the company, the witness testified, there was great competition between these manufacturers, and he had received presents of cash from some of them to press their goods in preference to those of other manufacturers. The price paid then was \$3.80 per thousand for goods commonly known as five-cent goods. There was a discount of 2 per cent for cash. About six months after the formation of the company, as near as witness could recollect, the same goods were purchased by him at the same figure, but there was a rebate of 30 cents per thousand in addition to the 2 per cent. On goods for which over \$3.80 per thousand was paid there was a rebate of 40 cents. This continued for almost two years, he buying the goods outright. Rebates were received monthly or quarterly, he could not recollect which.

NEW CONDITIONS IMPOSED. Some time in 1932 an agent named Dunstetter, who represented the American Tobacco Company, called at the witness's place and informed him that the old contract by which he purchased goods outright was to be terminated, and requested him to sign a new contract, under which goods would be consigned instead of sold to him in the future. By the conditions of the contract he was to receive thirty-five cents rebate on all goods sold to him for not less than \$3.50 per thousand, which was to be the lowest price put on any cigarette manufactured by the company. He was to receive this rebate only on condition that he would co-operate with the company and handle their goods to their satisfaction.

Miller, at the time this contract was given to him, demurred against signing it, but finally yielded because he could not get any of the American Company's goods if he refused. Under this plan rebates were paid only semi-annually, and then only a quarterly rebate was paid, three months being withheld all the time. He was using about 50,000 a week of the company's cigarettes at that time.

The second contract with the American Company, the witness testified, was terminated by the company after he had begun to handle Admiral cigarettes. He was obliged to purchase the company's goods from Bernheim Brothers, jobbers of New York, thereafter. By this operation he lost the rebate and discount on the goods, and in addition had to pay the freightage. This cut off all profit on those goods, so far as he was concerned.

MAKING THREATS. Not content with refusing to sell or consign him goods, the witness testified that the American Company, when it learned that Bernheim Brothers were supplying him with goods, notified that firm that it must cease or its contract would also be terminated. The company's claim to Bernheim, according to the witness, was that the company would deal with Miller itself. When informed of this the latter declined to purchase more goods from the company, but was unable, and has been unable since. His losses on goods of the American Company now handled by him, he testified, are made up by the National Cigarette & Tobacco Company, who manufacture the Admiral cigarettes.

Some time ago witness testified that he sent an order to the American Tobacco Company for cigarettes and tobacco. The tobacco was forwarded, but not the cigarettes. He went to New York to inquire about it, and was told by Secretary Josiah Brown that his account with the company had been closed and would not be reopened. He offered to pay cash down for the cigarettes, but could not get them.

Mr. Brown was then called to the stand by the complainants and admitted the truth of the statement made by Miller in regard to the transaction with Bernheim Brothers. He also admitted that Miller had applied to the company for a consignment of cigarettes, but that they had been refused. A letter was presented in which it was claimed that the company declined to furnish cigarettes to Miller because it already had enough consignors in Miller's territory to handle its goods.

WHO ARE THE PROSECUTORS. Here a lively tilt arose over whether the American Company had refused to sell Miller cigarettes. Mr. Lindabury, of counsel for the company, contended that the company had simply refused to consign cigarettes to Miller. The latter insisted that the company had refused to sell. Then Mr. Lindabury tried to show by questions put to Miller that the National Company was the real prosecutors in the suit, and that Miller had no more to do with it than a man in Jericho. He failed in this, however, as Judge Stevens objected to all his questions and was sustained by the Vice-Chancellor.

Ex-Senator Jonathan G. Blackwell, of

Trenton, a wholesale grocer, testified that he handled the American Company's goods under an agreement similar to that already offered in evidence. He did not handle the rival cigarettes because there was more money in the others. He could handle the rivals, but by so doing he would sacrifice his cash discount on American Company goods.

Charles Ertel testified that he sold American Company goods and sold some Admiral's as well, but on the sly. He did not tell why he sold them on the sly. Frank W. Miller, son of the first witness, corroborated his father's testimony. The case will be continued to-morrow.

FATE STERNER THAN LAW.

A Jersey Workman Probably Fatally Hurt Near a Place Where He Once Sent Another to His Death.

Rutherford, N. J., April 6.—A serious accident happened this morning on the Erie Railroad, at Berry's Creek Bridge, about half a mile below this place. The company is building a bridge on which are to be laid two additional tracks to Paterson.

Shortly after going to work this morning James Hoban and another man were busy bolting a heavy piece of timber with a derrick, when the rope broke, letting the timber fall, which struck the two men, knocking them down and falling upon them. Hoban's head was crushed so badly it is thought he will die. The other man received severe internal injuries and a broken leg.

A peculiar feature in the episode is that Hoban was convicted in the Hackensack courts some time ago for causing the death of a colored man whom he knocked overboard and drowned nearly at the exact spot where he met his own injuries. Hoban was sentenced to a term in Trenton Prison, but by the influence of friends he was released.

WOMEN'S CLUB OFFICERS.

Annual Meeting of the Organization Held at Livingston.

Livingston, S. I., April 6.—The annual meeting of the Staten Island Women's Club was held in the parlors of the Staten Island Cricket Club, at this place, this morning. Fifty of the members were present, and the annual reports showed the club to be strong in membership and finances. The clubhouse, which is on the Cricket Club property, was enlarged during last season, and the weekly receptions and tennis tournaments held under the auspices of the club were very successful. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Mrs. Kenyon Jewett, president; Mrs. Anson L. Carroll, vice-president; Mrs. Henry B. Taylor, secretary; Miss Florence Vannelselaar, treasurer; Mrs. Henry W. Tillingshast, Mrs. Randolph St. George Walker, Mrs. Francis E. Grote Higgins, Mrs. Fairfax Harrison, Mrs. M. E. Holmbeck, Miss Anne Charly Johnson and Miss Adele Robinson, directors.

WIRE CUTTING IS CHARGED.

Rival Telegraph Managers at Atlantic City Go to War.

Atlantic City, N. J., April 6.—James Tyrrel, manager of the Postal Telegraph Company's office, and Lineman Baker, of the same company, were arrested to-day on a warrant charging them with malicious mischief.

To anger Malloney, of the Western Union Company, claims that the prisoners cut the wires of his company, thereby throwing the entire uptown circuit out of service. The two companies had been using the same poles, but a week ago the Western Union manager had the Postal wires removed from its poles, and Saturday Manager Tyrrel requested the Western Union to remove its wires from the poles of the Postal Company. This Manager Malloney refused to do. Lineman Baker, acting under Manager Tyrrel's orders, it is alleged, cut the wires, which were immediately replaced. They were then cut again, and the arrests followed.

THIS MAN WAS PERSISTENT.

Miss Ellen McDevitt, of Orange, N. J., Had an Unpleasant Experience.

Orange, N. J., April 6.—The calling for police by Miss Ellen McDevitt, of No. 143 William street, Orange, startled the residents in the vicinity of Park and Elm streets, at 9 p. m. yesterday. Miss McDevitt is eighteen years old and pretty. She was going to her home at that time when she was accosted by a man who insisted upon accompanying her. She quickened her pace, and tried to escape from him.

The spot was a lonely one, and only a few yards from where Miss Louise Miller was held up by footpads two months ago. Miss McDevitt told the man she did not know him, but he continued to insist that she did. Miss McDevitt called a policeman a block away and ran to him. She was accompanied by a man who had been speaking to her. He called her name, when he took to his heels. After a lively chase he was captured. He described himself as Harry Wortenberg, of Keny street, East Orange. He told the officer that he had thought he knew Miss McDevitt, and that he had been waiting for her this morning. Miss McDevitt appeared before Judge Davis and swore out a warrant against him.

BRAVERY OF A BLUECOAT.

He Stops a Runaway Horse in a Crowded Street at Paterson, N. J.

Paterson, N. J., April 6.—Patrolman Henry O'Brien distinguished himself yesterday afternoon by stopping a runaway horse as it was about to dash into a crowd of pedestrians and children at the corner of Main and Market streets.

The horse is one of the fastest in the city and is owned by George Hopper, of Auburn street. The owner was driving it before a top buggy yesterday when an axle snapped and the horse precipitated. The frightened animal dashed down Main street at speed, and all attempts to stop it were unavailing until Patrolman O'Brien seized the bridle.

He was dragged nearly a hundred feet and only succeeded in bringing the horse to a standstill when it was within a few feet of the crowd at the electric car station. One of O'Brien's feet was crushed by the hoof of the horse.

A FAMILY OVERCOME BY GAS.

Jesse Kierstead, His Wife and Children, of Franklin, N. J., the Victims.

Franklin, N. J., April 6.—Jesse Kierstead and his family, who live on High street, in this place, had a narrow escape from death by inhaling coal gas last night.

Mr. Kierstead had been awakened by the cries of his baby boy, and as he got out of bed found that he could hardly walk. He discovered the cause of his illness, and, going to the window, opened it. Mr. Kierstead found his wife unconscious, while his two children, in an adjoining room were suffering and vomiting. Mrs. Kierstead has not yet recovered. The children are rapidly improving.

Death of Ezra H. Snow.

Orange, N. J., April 6.—Ezra H. Snow, who was connected with the publishing firm of Corlies, Macy & Co., of New York, died suddenly yesterday of pneumonia, after an illness of five days, at his home on Park street, East Orange. Mr. Snow was born at Rutherford, N. J., in 1848. When a young man he went with the Kennebec Journal (Maine) as a printer, and there worked side by side with the late James G. Blaine.

CASTLE BOLONI BESIEGED.

The Luciano Elopement a Casus Belli Among Staten Island Italians.

Girl's Parents Surround the House of the Woman Accused of Compelling Her Flight.

ARMED WITH PISTOLS, THEY WATCH.

Behind Barricaded Doors and Windows the Bolonis Held the Fort—Police Arrive in Time to Prevent an Impending Battle.

Tompkinsville, S. I., April 6.—The police were summoned to the Italian settlement at this place last night to quell a battle between the members of the Luciano and Boloni families, in which revolvers were the weapons and serious results were narrowly averted. The trouble grew out of the elopement of Lucia Boloni, aged fourteen, with Luigi Menditto, some weeks ago, and the arrest of Mrs. Boloni on a charge of having brought about the marriage of a child under legal age.

When the police reached the settlement last night they found the whole Luciano family armed with revolvers and reinforced by nearly a score of friends, besieging the store and house of the Bolonis, after the Boloni doors and windows of which were well barricaded and guarded. The police drove the besieging party away and a squad of the bluecoats remained all night to prevent further hostilities.

This morning Thomas Boloni under guard of a policeman went before Justice Acker and charged that all the members of his household were in fear of their lives, and that he had been prevented from conducting his business.

The Justice issued warrants charging Luciano and his wife, and Luigi Menditto with breach of the peace. They were arrested and were bailed for examination. Justice Acker said to-night that he feared that there would be murder before the trouble was ended.

Michael Luciano, the father of Rose, is a wholesale fuel dealer, and owns considerable real estate. The Luciano keep the principal store in the settlement. The Boloni does a labor contracting business and his wife is a professional nurse. The families were formerly friends and then became rivals for the position of rulers over the settlement. The Luciano family charge that Mrs. Boloni brought about the ruin of Rose as a measure of revenge, and to humiliate them. The matter remains unsettled. Both sides having employed counsel, and declared that they would fight to the bitter end. Mrs. Boloni began her attack by accusing the Bolonis of kidnapping the husband of little Rose, upon a charge made by the agent for the Settlement, the Frankfort, N. Y., "The Children." Luigi is a well-favored young fellow, and the girl's parents had accepted him as a member of their family.

A SECOND-STORY HAUL.

Theft Carries Off a Jewel Box and Contents Belonging to Mrs. Alfred Lister, of Newark, N. J.

Newark, N. J., April 6.—A second-story thief made a rich haul last night at the residence of Mrs. Alfred Lister, of No. 270 Mount Prospect avenue. The booty consisted of a jewel box belonging to Mrs. Alfred Lister, mother-in-law of Mr. Miller. She is a widow and occupies a front room on the second floor of the house, which is in the handsome residence portion of the city. The house is surrounded by a wall, and the thief entered by a window overlooking the front of the house.

Last evening Mrs. Lister says the box and its contents were stolen from her room, and all of the windows were closed. Between 10 and 11 o'clock, when she retired, she noticed that the window was wide open, and the box and its contents were gone. Policeman Andrews who has the stolen articles, which the Miller house was located, was notified, and after making a search of the premises and neighborhood, he located the box in a room. The stolen articles, Mrs. Lister says, comprised four pairs of gold bracelets, one diamond ring, a pair of gold earrings, a brooch, six gold rings, three gold chains, two gold necklaces, and a silver watch. The value of the stolen articles is valued at \$700.

MILES ANOTHER DANIEL.

His Interpretation of the Raines Law Has Greatly Encouraged Brooklyn Saloon Keepers.

District-Attorney Backus, of Brooklyn, returned from Bermuda yesterday. He asked what he thought about the interpretation given by the Raines law by his assistant, W. O. Miles. He answered that he had not yet heard of it, but he guessed it was all right, as Mr. Miles, in his opinion, was a careful and able lawyer. Mr. Backus said he was not quite decided as to the duties of his office with respect to violations of the law. If necessary, however, he said, he would appoint assistants to aid in the prosecution.

The police report that up to Sunday night they had made complaints against seventy-five men who broke the law. They had arrested and taken to the station twenty arrests for drunkenness.

The men arrested for keeping their saloons open after midnight were taken to the Adams Street Court, but Justice Walsh postponed the hearings until April 15. Mr. Miles is expected to submit their cases to the Grand Jury.

Mr. Miles' "sandwich decision" has encouraged saloon keepers to keep their saloons open after midnight. He said that he had not yet heard of it, but he guessed it was all right, as Mr. Miles, in his opinion, was a careful and able lawyer. Mr. Backus said he was not quite decided as to the duties of his office with respect to violations of the law. If necessary, however, he said, he would appoint assistants to aid in the prosecution.

JERSEY CITY'S HALL UNFIT.

Architect Broome Finds Much Fault with the New Municipal Building.

The new City Hall that has already cost the taxpayers of Jersey City nearly \$1,000,000 will cost them considerably more before it is finally declared fit for occupancy. At every meeting of the commissioners in charge of the building new defects are reported.

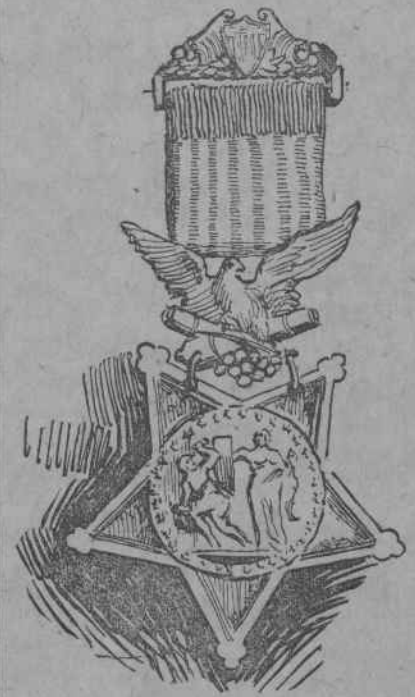
At their meeting yesterday a communication was received from Architect Lewis R. Broome, in which the latter stated that the electric wiring throughout the building would not be accepted by him, as it was not in accordance with the code. He also wrote that he would not accept the tile roof, which leaks whenever it storms; the tin roof, metal panels in pediments, floors above the basement, the hanging of a number of doors and sashes, the woodwork in many of the rooms, the main entrance doors, the fluting in the assembly chamber and throughout the second floor, some iron and plate work leading to the boiler, and the brickwork around the boilers. His letter was referred.

HONORED FOR BRAVERY.

Senator Sewell the Recipient of the Highly Prized Medal Which Congress Bestows on the Few.

Washington, April 6.—Senator William J. Sewell, of New Jersey, will hereafter wear the medal of honor which only those soldiers are entitled to who performed daring deeds during the late war.

The medal which Congress has presented to the Senator is of bronze. One side



SENATOR SEWELL'S MEDAL.

bears a simple inscription stating that the medal was presented by Congress in recognition of distinguished services in battle, which is designated, then follows the name of the soldier so honored.

"CHARLIE" RICHMOND IS DEAD.

New Brunswick, N. J., Loses One of Her Notable Characters.

New Brunswick, N. J., April 6.—"Charlie" Richmond, the blind man of Brunswick, known to almost every person in this city, died this afternoon, after an illness of several weeks. He was seventy-seven years old, and had been blind since infancy. He was able, nevertheless, to pilot a visitor to any part of New Brunswick with the facility of any man. He was an unflinching local historian, and had the papers read to him daily. He made many property investments, and at one time was well to do. Later he lost considerable through the defections of tenants, who took advantage of his affliction.

Mr. Richmond could count money at the bank with the facility of the paying teller, and when he had his check cashed, the paying teller, who tried to deceive him by way of a joke, was quickly called to account. Although unable to write, he was an expert calculator. He never slept in a bed, having cherished an aversion to them from reading about people who died in bed, and he insisted on sleeping on a pile of blankets and comfortable stretched on the floor of his room.

Until ten years ago, when he married, he never had heat or light in his house. He did not know what it was to feel the cold of winter, or the heat of summer, but about town every one spoke to him. He carried a cane, which he held about a foot from the end. He carried a small bag, in which he carried his object being to strike things in front of him.

BAYONNE WANDERER RETURNS.

The Mother of Bertie Phillips Spares the Time-Honored Slipper.

Bayonne, N. J., April 6.—Bertie Phillips, the eleven-year-old lad who ran away from his home at No. 500 Avenue D Saturday, intending to tramp it to Closter, Bergen County, N. J., returned late last night. He was very repentant, tired, hungry and sleepy, and his mother, who had been looking for him, was waiting for him to bed without the traditional application of the slipper.

This morning Bertie said that he had walked all the way to Closter, arriving there at 6 o'clock Saturday evening. He said he went fishing for trout, and had a good catch. He also said that he had a good time, and that he was very much improved. He said that he was very much improved, and that he was very much improved.

ORBIT OF HIS EYE FRACTURED.

Friese Was Thrown Out When His Horse Ran Away.

Ernest Friese, thirty-five years old, of No. 515 Pearl street, drives a milk wagon. While driving through Jersey City yesterday morning his horse ran away and Friese was thrown out.

Friese was found lying senseless in the street by the Jersey City police. His face was covered with blood and his clothing badly torn. There was an ugly gash over his right eye.

It was believed that the man had been assaulted, but he recovered consciousness and told of the runaway.

Ernest Friese was suffering intensely from his injuries and walked to the hospital, where it was found that the right eye or the orbit, which encloses the eye, had been fractured.

RAHWAY'S MAYOR IS DYING.

Dr. Daly Is Unconscious, and Is Not Expected to Live Until Morning.

Rahway, N. J., April 6.—Mayor J. J. Daly, M. D., is lying at the home of his sister, on Main street. He has been ill for four months, and has been slowly sinking for ten days. The last rites of the Catholic Church have been administered. The Mayor is unconscious most of the time. The attending physicians do not think he can live until morning.

Mayor John J. Daly is forty-four years of age, and is serving his fifth term as Mayor of Rahway. He is without doubt the most popular man in the city.

ASKING FOR A PARDON.

John Somers Has Already Served Fifteen Years in Prison.

Atlantic City, N. J., April 6.—A number of prominent business men and Grand Army veterans of this city will go to Trenton to-morrow to make a final appeal for the pardon of John Somers, who murdered Frank Musson fifteen years ago, and who was sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment for the crime.

Somers had been quarrelling with his wife, and Musson was supposed to separate the two, who were intoxicated. The peace-maker received a stab wound and died the next day. The prisoner's term is within a year of being up.

Arch Premonition in Sharpstown.

Bridgeport, N. J., April 6.—There is a great deal of pneumonia in Sharpstown, Cumberland County, and many residents of the place are sick with the disease. In one family three deaths have occurred. A week ago to-day a son of William Baker died from the disease. His mother was the next attacked, and she died on Wednesday last. Mr. Baker himself was the next victim, and he died yesterday. All the doctors in the place are busy.

STRANGLER RECH'S STORY.

The Self-Confessed Murderer of His Wife Outlines His Defence to a Felony Prisoner.

Atlantic City, N. J., April 6.—An outline of the defence which John Rech, the self-confessed strangler of his wife, will make when arraigned in the court at May's Landing two weeks from to-morrow, was furnished to-day by Harry Nolan, a young man who has just been released from the County Jail, where he was the cell-mate of the murderer. He had many confidential chats with the latter, he says, in the course of which Rech rehearsed with minute detail the events which led up to his crime, and advanced the claim that he was temporarily insane at the time it was committed. Rech's version of the affair, as told to Nolan, was substantially as follows:

"We had many quarrels, and that night, when I came downstairs, I found Tessie with all her things on and ready to go out. I asked her where she was going, and she replied that she was tired of men and the farm, and was going to Batavia. A more expressive than Rech's story followed. I reproached her for her unfaithfulness, and in return she taunted me with having deserted a wife and children for her, and said she had as much right to desert me as I had to leave them."

Then, when I went crazy, and I don't remember much that happened afterward."

In all his talks with Nolan he would always break off short in his story when he arrived at the fatal moment when the crime was committed, and carefully avoided admitting that his hands killed the beautiful woman. Rech's story of the murder was absolutely no truth in the story that Rech has become morose and sullen of late. Instead he is apparently cheerful and contented, and smokes and chats with his fellow-prisoners.

Prosecutor Samuel E. Perry said to-day that he believed Rech had a batch of new evidence against Rech, but declined to state what its nature was.

FEMALE LAWYER WINS.

She Wins an Argument in the Belard Divorce Case in Jersey City and Obtains a Postponement.

Miss Mary Philbrook, New Jersey's only woman lawyer, was pitted against Counselor Warren Dixon yesterday, in Chancery Chambers, Jersey City, when application was made by the latter to Vice-Chancellor Reed for alimony and counsel fees for the complainant in the divorce suit of Mrs. Augustine Belard against Justin Belard. Miss Philbrook, counsel for the defendant, after a strong argument, had the application postponed for one week, on account of desertion and statutory grounds. Louise Soule is named as co-defendant.

The couple were married in New York on February 28, 1888. Mrs. Belard claims that her husband deserted her shortly after the wedding. She lived at No. 113 West street, Jersey City, Mrs. Belard at present resides in West Hoboken. Her husband, who is a carpenter, is now in New York, and she alleges that he and Miss Soule are at present living together. That city, Mrs. Belard started the suit in New York, but it was ordered discontinued.

TARTAR FOR BLUECOATS.

Three of Them in Dundee, N. J., Have a Difficult Task Arresting One Man.

Passaic, N. J., April 6.—Joseph Summa, a man of great height and strength, who works in a mill at Dundee, is in the hospital suffering from a fractured skull as the result of an encounter he had to-day with three policemen. In addition to the fractured skull he has three scalp wounds.

Summa lives on the fourth floor of a tenement house in Dundee. There was trouble in the tenement this morning and Summa is accused of having struck a neighbor on the head with a bucket. Officer Wagner was sent to arrest him. He found his man at home, and the officer was promptly thrown downstairs. Van Wagner went out and obtained the services of Officer Flynn. They returned to the rooms of Summa and made another attempt to arrest him. Officer Flynn got into the apartment and grabbed Summa by the throat and started to choke him. Failing to otherwise break the grip he had on Summa's neck, he resorted to a club. The officer's throat, Flynn and Kelly brought their clubs down on Summa's head. The officer took Summa by the arm and the officers started with him toward the police station.

A prisoner struggled all the way and the big crowd followed. Arriving at the station house it was found that Summa's skull was fractured and he was sent to the hospital. The fracture is not a serious one.

BAD NEWS FOR CLARK.

After Having Carrie Dunlap Fined He Hears That His Wife Has Just Died.

Morristown, N. J., April 6.—Few cases in the courts have attracted more attention here recently than that of Miss Carrie Dunlap, a pretty young girl, who was arrested two weeks ago, charged with stealing a diamond ring from her employer, James Clark. She was employed as a domestic, and the ring was found in her possession. She said that the ring had been taken by her to wear at a party, and that she intended to return it in the morning. The girl's story was backed up by the statements of others, to whom she had expressed her intention of returning the ring.

Her character was found to be good, and the matter was taken up by prominent citizens, who tried to have the charge withdrawn. Miss Dunlap secured bail.

Mr. Clark refused to withdraw the complaint. The case was called for trial to-day. The judge fined the girl \$10, the lowest penalty he could inflict, and gave her a lecture, telling her to be more careful now she used other people's property.

Mr. Clark left the court room and returned home. He was greeted at the door by a woman who had been told that his wife had died in childbirth.

Recount for Landis Township. Vineland, N. J., April 6.—Judge Ludlow, of the Supreme Court, has ordered a recount of the votes in the election of Superintendent of Roads of Landis Township.

This Spring Daniel S. Edson, Republican, was elected Superintendent by a majority of nearly five votes over J. E. Payne Democrat. Payne attributes his defeat to fraud on the ground that twelve tickets were destroyed by the Edson brothers, in order to ascertain whether the tickets were voted.

Mrs. Butler Fell Downstairs.

Bahway, N. J., April 6.—Mrs. Butler, widow of the head of the firm of Butler Brothers, of New York, fell downstairs this morning, cutting her face, spraining her shoulder and injuring her internal organs. She is now slightly better. Mrs. Butler and Mrs. Ross were to start for California next week. Her injuries will probably prevent them from going.

Bird's Successor Named.

Chancellor Alexander T. McGill, of New Jersey, has appointed Frederick W. Stevens, of Newark, to succeed Vice-Chancellor John T. Bird, retired. The new Vice-Chancellor, who is one of the ablest lawyers in the State, has accepted the appointment. He will be sworn in at Trenton during the week.

EASTER KNOTS BY CUPID.

Elaborate Wedding of Mr. Minnott and Miss Brewer at South Orange, N. J.

A Fashionable Assemblage Witnesses the Ceremony in the Church of the Holy Communion.

NUPTIALS ON STATEN ISLAND.

Louis E. Bones and Miss Louise Clawson United in St. John's Church at Clifton—The Ceremony a Brilliant One.

Orange, N. J., April 6.—An elaborate and fashionable wedding took place in the Church of the Holy Communion, at South Orange, at 5 o'clock this afternoon, the contracting parties being Miss Clara Brewer, daughter of William A. Brewer, Jr., president of the Washington Life Insurance Company, of New York, and William Albert Minnott, of South Orange. The Rev. Lewis Cameron, rector of the church, officiated. The ceremony was performed beneath a bower of Easter lilies and amid blooming carnations. The bride was escorted by Miss Alice Keith, of Chicago. The bridesmaids were Miss Alice Keith, of Chicago; Miss Frances Rodenbough, of Easton, Pa.; Miss Helen Peck, of New York; Miss Mary Keck, Miss Emma Brewer, Miss Alice Van Der Kieft and Miss Katherine Garrison. The ushers were Joseph A. Mudgett, Robert Garrett and Arthur Wheeler, of Philadelphia; John Harding, of Chicago; Gilbert Brewer, James Wardell and Henry Burdick, of the Orange.

The bride wore a handsome gown of white satin trimmed with pearl applique lace, and carried a white kid prayer book. Her ornaments were pearls.

The maid of honor and bridesmaids wore white organdie trimmed with Valenciennes lace and Neapolitan straw hats trimmed with tulips and sweet peas. A